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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date: August 6, 2001

In re application of: Lin et al.

Serial No. 09/374,142

Filed: August 11, 1999

For: METHOD OF DIAGNOSING OR TREATING IRRITABLE
BOWEL SYNDROME AND OTHER DISORDERS
CAUSED BY SMALL INTESTINAL BACTERIAL
OVERGROWTH

Examiner: Roark, J.

Unit: 1644

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
(FURTHER ELECTIONS OF SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

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| I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D. C. 20231, ON <u>August 6, 2001</u> DATE | |
| BY <u>[Signature]</u> | ANN WEISS |
| <u>August 6, 2001</u> DATE SIGNED | |

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2001, for the
above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before August 6,
2001 (August 5, 2001, being a Sunday). In connection with the above-captioned
application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following remarks
concerning further elections of species and subspecies.